





# Interstate 10 Corridor Improvement Study (CIS) State Route 51 to Santan Freeway

**Public Meeting** 







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## What is the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)?



The RTP is a partnership between Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), local cities, Valley Metro and Valley Metro Rail to:

- Manage regional transportation programs
- Coordinate project implementation
- Develop finance strategies
- Foster communication and public involvement
- Facilitate regional collaboration on transportation initiatives





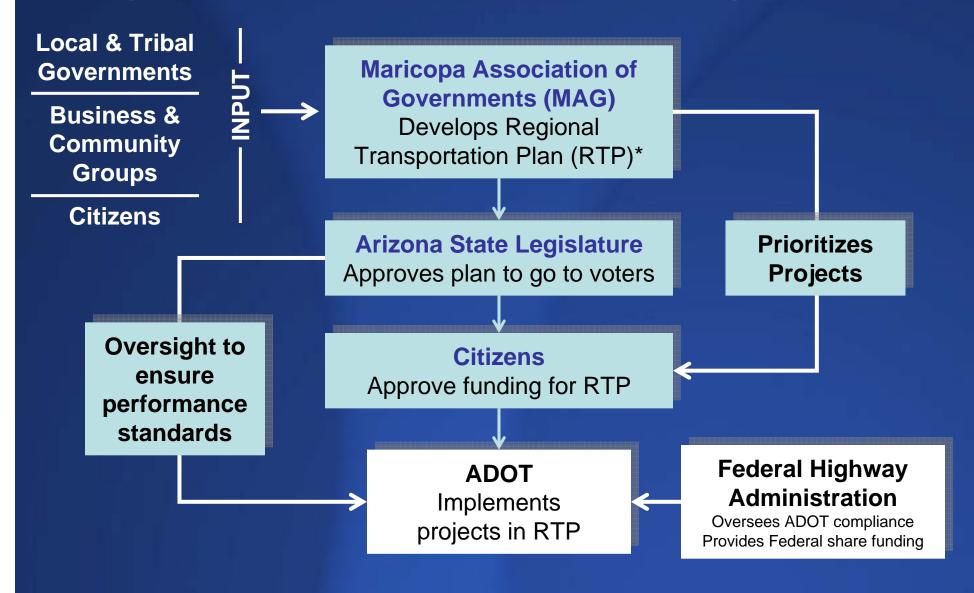
## Regional Transportation Plan



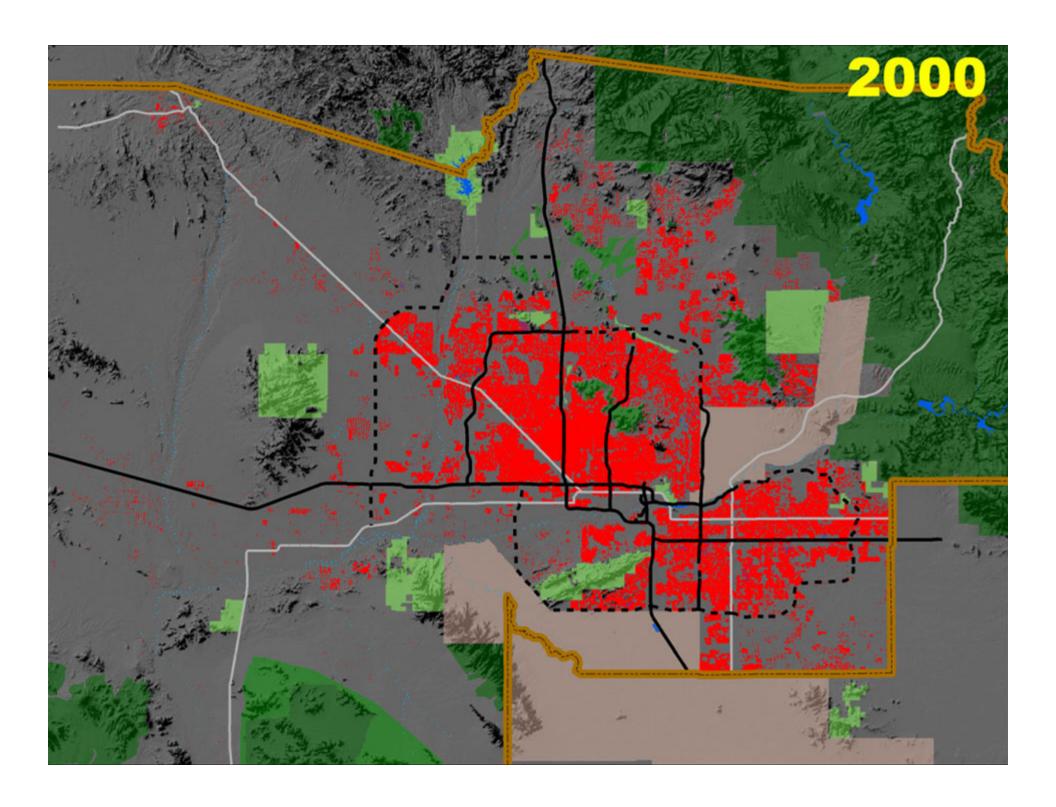
- Transportation investment blueprint for the next 20 years
  - Policy framework identifying transportation priorities
  - Guided by performance goals
- Most comprehensive transportation planning effort in last 40 years
- Developed by MAG Transportation Policy Committee
- MAG adopted 2003
- Proposition 400 voter approved November 2004

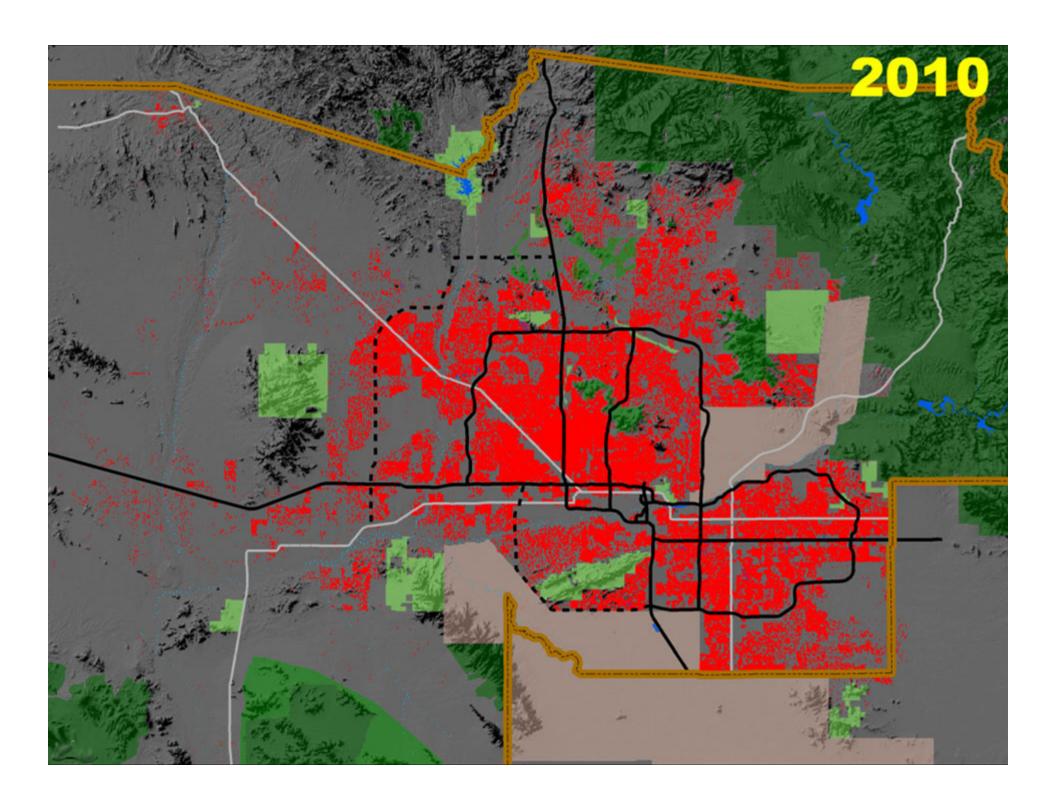


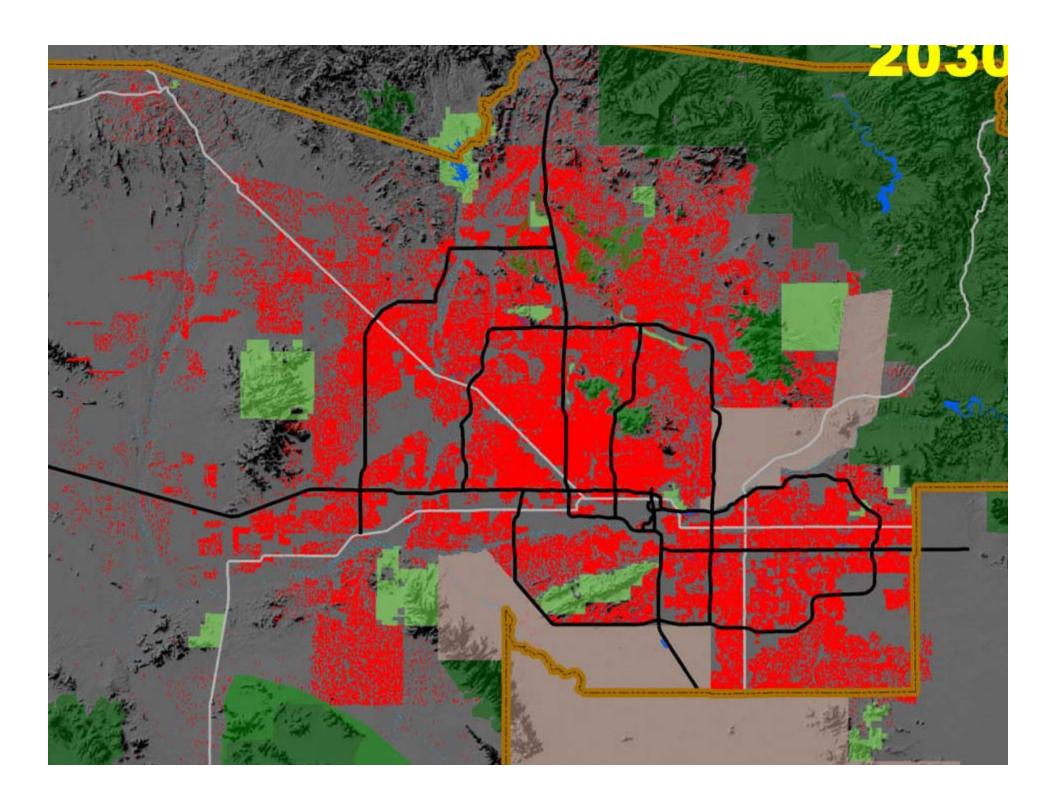
#### Regional Transportation Planning Process



\* Maricopa County Voters approved current RTP in November 2004









#### MAG's Role



- Regional transportation planning
- Prioritization of phasing and funding of projects
- Approval of accelerations and cost changes to RTP
- Approval of air quality analyses on all regional transportation projects





#### **ADOT's Role**



- Implement RTP Freeway Program
- Conduct studies to identify and evaluate alternatives
- Acquire right-of-way
- Design, construct and maintain freeway system





#### Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Role



- Provides Federal highway funds
- Serve as lead federal agency
  - National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
- Participate in study process
- Provide document review and decision





#### Public's Role



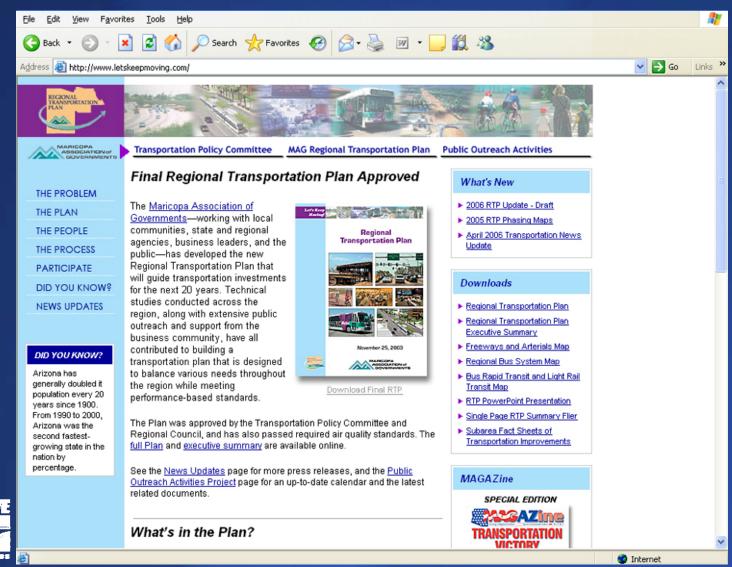
- Ask questions
- Provide feedback
- Inform us
  - What is important to you?
  - What are your concerns?





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#### Public Involvement Approach



- Clear, consistent, and inclusive communication from the planning stage, through design and construction
- Seek input from local governments, agencies and elected officials
- Work with local community based organizations, neighborhoods and businesses
- Utilize existing information and resources





## About the I-10 Corridor Improvement Study

#### What is the study?

- Evaluating capacity improvements on I-10 from SR 51 to the Santan Freeway
- Preparing a Design Concept Report (DCR), Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Implementation Plan
- Obtaining a Record of Decision from FHWA

#### The Project is:

- Funded in Phase I of the Regional Transportation Plan (2006 – 2010) and;
- Programmed Budget of \$550 Million







#### **I-10 Traffic Conditions**



	I-17 to 32nd St.		Elliot Rd. to Ray Rd.	
Existing Conditions	290,000 vpd	297,000 vpd	145,000 vpd	
No-Build (2030)	300,000 vpd	320,000 vpd	185,000 vpd	
Express/Local Lanes Concept (2030)	400,000 vpd	430,000 vpd	250,000 vpd	

Source: MAG Travel Demand Model, including all improvements identified in the RTP

vpd = vehicles per day





#### **Concepts Considered**



- No Build
- I-10 Widening
- Express/Local Lane Concepts
- Express/Local Lanes w/ HOV Viaduct
- Note: All build alternatives include two HOV lanes in each direction between I-17 & US 60





#### Why not just widen I-10?



- Would add 1-2 lanes in each direction of travel
- Would not alleviate current weaving conditions at Broadway Curve
- Would not accommodate future travel demand
- Results in similar congestion issues as seen today





#### **Express/Local Lanes Concept**



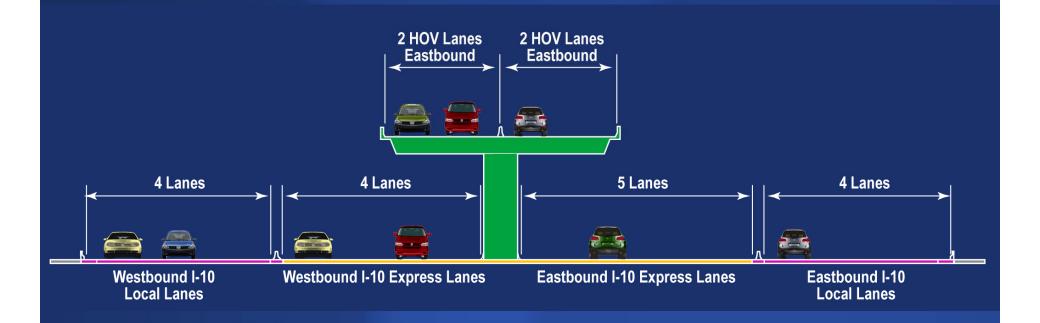
- Concept developed in 1980's
- Separate lanes for regional and local traffic to reduce weaving
- Limited number of transfer ramp connections between local and express lanes
- Reduces conflict between local and regional travelers
- Reconstructs the I-10 & SR 143 Interchange





## Why not Express/Local Lanes with HOV Viaduct?









### Alternatives to be Further Evaluated



- No-Build
- Express/Local Lane Concepts
  - There are two variations which have slightly different lane configurations
  - Two HOV Lanes in each direction
  - Complete reconstruction of I-10 & SR 143 Interchange





## Locations of Express/Local Lanes



- Toronto, Canada: Highway 401
- Chicago, Illinois: I-90 (Dan Ryan Expressway)
- Detroit, Michigan: I-96 (Jeffries Freeway)





#### **Express/Local Lanes** Show Local Photo-simulation



15 minute video

 Boards detailing each interchange are present for your viewing around room





#### I-10 Study Process/Timeline



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	Public Scoping Meeting	Final Scopi Repor	$ng  \rangle \rangle  Ap$	proved approved by	TP is oproved y voters roposition 400)	Alternatives Selection Report	Alternatives Presented at Public Meetings





#### **Next Steps**



Apr 25 - Jun 11, 2007 Spri	ng 2008 Spring 2008	Spring/ Summer 2008	Spring 2009	Summer 2009
include in Environmental Impact	Present preferred alternative and result of the EIS the public	sought to include in Final EIS	Final Design Concept Report/ Final EIS	Record of Decision Issued by FHWA





## Westbound Broadway Curve Congestion Management Project



- Extend outside lane from Southern Avenue to SR 143 exit
- Anticipated construction starting in Spring 2008
- See Board for details







#### Thank you!

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